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Upon instructions from my Government, and following my letters dated 16-20 and 23-25 April, 7, 11, 14, 15, 16, 18, 21 and 24 May 2012, I have the honour to transmit herewith a detailed list of violations of cessation of violence that were committed by armed groups in Syria on 22 May 2012 (see annex).

It would be highly appreciated if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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[Original: Arabic]

Tuesday, 22 May 2012

Rif Dimashq governorate

1. At 2345 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on the western gate of a military barracks in Rif Dimashq.

2. At 0230 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Harasta, killing Kanan Abu Hamra and wounding one other.

3. At 0530 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Misraba, wounding one.

4. At 1000 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device as a rations truck belonging to the law enforcement forces was passing through the Takiyah district, wounding five personnel, including Lieutenant Usama Masoud, and damaging the vehicle.

5. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device as a rations truck belonging to the law enforcement forces was passing between the Nashabiyah checkpoint and 'Utaybah.

6. At 1300 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated a 30-kilogram explosive device as two vehicles carrying law enforcement personnel were driving by on the Zabadani-Damascus axis, at the Hush turn-off. Two civilian vehicles were set on fire and four persons were wounded. In addition, four law enforcement personnel were wounded and one of the law enforcement vehicles was damaged.

7. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted and killed Staff Sergeant Azam Jadid in Zabadani.

8. At 1600 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from a deserted house on vehicles of the United Nations observer mission visiting the city of Kiswah. Two volleys hit one of the mission vehicles.

9. At 1630 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated a booby-trapped vehicle in Jadidah 'Atruz.

10. At 2030 hours, an armed terrorist group held up Warrant Officer Qusayy Musa on his way to deliver rations to personnel at guard post No. 11, killing him and stealing his weapon.

11. In the town of 'Adra, the body of a man in his 50s was found in a sewer, bearing the marks of torture. He had been killed with a sharp instrument.

12. In the town of Zabadani, an explosive device was detonated beside a military vehicle, wounding several personnel and setting a civilian pickup on fire.

13. In the town of Malihah, the unidentified body of a man in his 30s was found in the western River Barada, beside the Nour station. His hands were bound and he had been shot in the head.

14. An armed terrorist group stole a Mitsubishi pickup, registration No. 888314/Rif Dimashq, belonging to the Hamuriyah emergency electricity department, from the driver, Anwar Nur al-Din.

15. In the town of Jaramana, a four-kilogram explosive device was found in a mound of earth near housing.

16. In the town of 'Irbin, a white BMW, registration No. 954174/Damascus, belonging to Farhan al-Saqa, was stolen from in front of his house in Zamalka.

17. An armed terrorist group stole a silver Toyota pickup, registration No. 666972/Damascus, belonging to the Ministry of Economy in the town of Jaramana.

18. In the town of Babila, a Toyota pickup, registration No. 889433, belonging to the Subaynah telephone exchange and driven by Eng. Bassam Hadlah, was seized on the Qadam-'Asali road by two persons carrying knives.

19. In the town of Tall, an armed terrorist group stole a burgundy-coloured Government Opel Omega, registration No. 893616/Damascus, driven by Eng. Rami Misbah, manager of technical affairs at the Damascus property register.

20. In the town of Nabak, a dumpster truck, registration No. 241449/Rif Dimashq, was seized from the driver, Yousef al-Husyan, by an armed terrorist group.

21. In the 'Utaybah neighbourhood of the city of Dumayr, Ali Shahadeh Hamid, a truck driver, was shot in the shoulder and taken to the Giraud hospital.

22. In the town of Qatana, Abu Numan Abu Asla (born 1951) was shot in the left hand by an armed terrorist group.

23. Two farms belonging to Muhammad Kanakriyeh and Amir Farkouh were looted by an armed terrorist group, after both were detained, together with the guard, and held in one of the rooms.

24. In the city of Harasta, a Government Volkswagen Passat, registration No. 879831/Damascus, driven by Qamar Hawari, was seized by an armed terrorist group near the Hassan mosque.

25. A red Sham, registration No. 664977/Damascus, was stolen from a lady engineer working in the water resources department by a man carrying a pistol in the city of Harasta.

26. An explosive device was detonated in Duma.

Damascus governorate

27. Two explosive devices were found in the residential neighbourhood of Mezzeh Tal'ah.

28. An explosion occurred near the Qabun police station, followed by intense firing from an armed terrorist group, killing five persons.

Dar'a governorate

29. At 2215 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group seized a jeep, registration No. 337055, belonging to Sulayman Abdulrahman.

30. At 2100 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group shot at retired Major General Kamal Ayyash in Ibta'.

31. At 2100 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint in Busra al-Harir.

32. At 2130 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint in a side street from between olive trees.

33. At 2230 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint in the village of Nu'aymah, wounding one, Hassan al-Aboud.

34. At 0030 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on border guard personnel at guard post No. 491 in Kharrab al-Sahm.

35. At 0030 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on border guard personnel at guard post No. 48, from the direction of Karm al-Zaytun.

36. At 0100 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on border guard posts Nos. 43 and 45.

37. At 0700 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Private Muhannad al-Hamdan, as he was on his way from his home village of 'Ayn Dhikr to his place of work.

38. At 0700 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Zayn al-Abidin Jaafar in Sahwah and stole his vehicle, registration No. 719494.

39. At 0730 hours, an armed terrorist group held up and abducted Milad al-Sheikh Ahmad, Ayman Sulayman and Muhammad Muhammad al-Hilmawai, all members of the law enforcement forces, at Shajrah, while on their way to their place of work.

40. At 0800 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on Chief Warrant Officer Muhsin al-Farhat and policeman Ahmad Qawjaq in Sayda, killing the former and wounding the latter.

41. At 0830 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement vehicle in Mismiyah.

42. At 1230 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device and opened fire on a vehicle carrying rations belonging to the law enforcement forces in 'Adwan, beside the village of Tasil, wounding five personnel.

43. At 1300 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement checkpoints in Inkhil.

44. At 1300 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Salmo al-Harajli and Muhammad al-Harajli, while they on their way to their farm in the village of Saqiyat.

45. At 1400 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement patrol as it was carrying a patient with a heart condition.

46. At 1600 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on the vehicle of an employee of the Nasib customs secretariat, accompanied by a member of the Hijrat Nasib station, while driving on the Damascus-Dar'a highway, between the Sayda bridge and Khirbat Ghazalah bridge, wounding them both.

47. At 1600 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a vehicle carrying rations belonging to the law enforcement forces, as it was passing close to the Ghariyah bridge, wounding four personnel.

48. An armed terrorist group looted the pharmacy of Ayman Musa al-Adhbah in the city of Busra al-Sham then set fire to it and disappeared.

49. An armed terrorist group set up a roadblock at the entrance to the town of Hayt, stopping passers-by to look for security, police and army personnel.

Homs governorate

50. At 2000 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on and launched mortars and rocket-propelled grenades at law enforcement personnel in the Talkalakh district.

51. At 2100 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in the Qusur district.

52. At 2100 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Qusayr, wounding one.

53. At 2300 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel on the Damascus-Homs highway, wounding one.

54. At 0010 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel near the Jadidah al-'Asi turn-off, wounding one.

55. At 0230 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in the Khalidiyah district, wounding one.

56. At 0900 hours, an armed terrorist group opened sporadic fire on law enforcement personnel in Bab al-Siba'.

57. At 1130 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Rastan.

58. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Bab Tadmur.

59. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from the direction of Khalidiyah on law enforcement personnel in Wadi al-Sayih.

60. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from the direction of the Hamidiyah district on a vehicle belonging to the United Nations mission, near the police headquarters.

61. At 1300 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from the direction of the Khalidiyah district on law enforcement personnel.

62. At 1430 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in Cairo Street, killing 2, Marwan Ismail and Bashar al-Jamal, and wounding 18, including Lieutenant Colonel Musaab al-Nahar.

63. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group opened sniper fire from the Hamra farms on law enforcement personnel, wounding one.

64. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel near the village of Dabghah, wounding one.

65. At 1600 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in the Khalidiyah district, wounding one.

66. At 1935 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from the direction of the Turkuman district and Bab Hud on law enforcement personnel near the citadel.

67. During the United Nations observer mission tour of the city of Homs and as UN vehicle 85, conveying the four-member mission led by the Moroccan, Talhat Abdulhadi, reached Quwatly Street, between the old clock tower and the new clock tower, the mission was fired at by an armed group from the direction of the Hamidiyah district. The vehicle was hit by four volleys, in the front end, left rear chassis and left front mudguard. No members of the mission were hurt. Note that, at its own request, the mission had entered the area unaccompanied, while the accompanying escort remained near the new clock tower. The members of the mission then returned to their hotel.

Hamah governorate

68. At 2000 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group planted explosive devices beside the irrigation centre in the village of Jabin, on the Talmalah-Hasraya highway.

69. At 2100 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group planted an explosive device, designed to explode when attempting to defuse it, near the law enforcement checkpoint at Kafr Buhum at the Misri mosque turn-off.

70. At 0230 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint near the former branch of the Arab Socialist Ba'ath Party, wounding one.

71. At 0940 hours, an armed terrorist group seized a Government Mazda belonging to the education department, while it was parked in the Araba'in district.

72. At 1000 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Adnan al-Abid from in front of his house in Kazo district.

73. At 1000 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire indiscriminately near the Araba'in roundabout, wounding one person.

74. At 1030 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint in the Araba'in district, wounding one.

75. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group planted two explosive devices near the home of Chief Warrant Officer Hussein Fallaha in Murak.

76. At 1030 hours, an armed terrorist group ambushed a passing law enforcement patrol on the road between the villages of Taybat al-Amam and Halfaya, near the Masasineh roundabout; two personnel were wounded.

77. At 1400 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on Chief Warrant Officer Samir Junaydi and Staff Sergeant Wadi Nasif, as they stood with their compatriots

near the automatic oven. Chief Warrant Officer Samir Junaydi and citizen Ala Hussein were killed, while Staff Sergeant Wadi Nasif and two others were wounded.

78. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on the automatic oven in the Musha' al-Araba'in district, killing a child, Yousef al-Nimr, who was waiting to collect bread.

79. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group shot and wounded Amal al-Qusayr in the Murabit district.

80. At 1530 hours, an armed terrorist group shot and killed Yasim Misto as he was making purchases in 8 March Street.

81. At 1800 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Lieutenant Anas al-Khalif, together with his wife and two children from in front of his house in the Fayha district.

Aleppo governorate

82. At 0300 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Sabri Muhammad and a Turkish national, Hassan Osman, who was in the former's house, in the village of Shadyan, Afrin.

83. At 0530 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted policeman Nayil Faris from in front of his house in the Sukari district.

84. At 0800 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted Chief Warrant Officer Zaim Hamu and a policeman who was with him.

85. At 0830 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on retired Colonel Muhammad Sulayman, his son and two other civilians in the Ashrafiah district, wounding them all.

86. At 0830 hours, an armed terrorist group held up and seized a crane truck belonging to Syrian Telecom as it was heading from the Bab exchange to the Qabisin exchange.

87. At 0900 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted and killed Susan Alabdullah in Handarat camp.

88. At 0900 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a military barracks in the district of Khan al-'Asal.

89. At 0930 hours, an armed terrorist group seized a Peugeot 504, registration No. 787717, belonging to Aleppo education department, in the Balirmun neighbourhood.

90. At 1000 hours, an armed terrorist group abducted a lawyer, Fadhil Kano, and seized his car in the city of I'zaz.

91. At 1100 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device as a law enforcement patrol was passing between the districts of Awram al-Sughra and Bab al-Hawa, near the Kafr Karamayn wood. When support arrived for the patrol, the armed men detonated five other explosive devices and opened intense fire against the law enforcement personnel, using all types of weapons. Sergeant Salih Khatib, Sergeant Sulayman al-Hashimi, Sergeant Hussein Rifai, Corporal Ibrahim Ajmiyeh, conscript Tariq Arrabi, conscript Abdullah al-Yatim, conscript Hussein al-Kadro,

conscript Basil Sibahiyeh, conscript Eid al-Muhammad and conscript Samif Abu Nabut were killed and 23 personnel were injured, including Captain Firas Muhammad, Lieutenant Amjad Shaaban and Captain Hussam Duyub. A number of vehicles belonging to the law enforcement forces were destroyed and stolen.

92. At 1300 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement patrol at Hawr village on the Darat 'Izza-Aleppo road.

93. At 1400 hours, an armed terrorist group shot and killed Muhammad Khurshid in the city of Atarib.

94. At 1500 hours, an armed terrorist group set up a roadblock on the Darat 'Izza-Aleppo road, at the village of Hawr, abducted Walid Yousef, his brother Faraj Yousef and Firas al-Sayyid, all policemen, and prevented employees from going to work in Aleppo.

95. At 1700 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device beneath an electricity pylon near the Saab laundry in the Sukari district, wounding one person.

96. At 1800 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel in the district of Atarib, wounding one.

97. At 1900 hours, an armed terrorist group set fire to a Government building at Kamil in the city of I'zaz.

98. At 1930 hours, an armed terrorist group shot Ismail al-Ajili at the turn-off to the village of Ziyarah, killing him with several shots to the chest.

Idlib governorate

99. At 0200 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire from the surrounding woods on a law enforcement patrol near the Hamrat bridge, between the Badama and Kinnsibba bridges, killing three personnel.

100. At 0200 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint on the Idlib-Harim road, at the Nimrah turn-off, wounding one.

101. At 1000 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint at Tall Qashish, at the entrance to Kafr Rumah in Ma'rrat Nu'man, killing Staff Sergeant Mustafa al-Muhammad and wounding six others.

102. At 0730 hours, an armed terrorist group planted two explosive devices on the Jisr al-Shughur-Ariha-Awram al-Jawz road and opened fire on law enforcement personnel attempting to defuse them, wounding one.

103. At 1330 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on law enforcement personnel on the Idli-Mastumah amusement park road, wounding one.

104. At 1400 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated an explosive device and opened fire on law enforcement personnel in the village of Ghazalah in'Azmarin/Darkush.

105. At 1630 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated a booby-trapped motorcycle in the Thawrah district of the city of Idlib, near a law enforcement checkpoint, wounding seven personnel.

106. At 1700 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on a law enforcement checkpoint in Khan Shaykhun.

107. An armed terrorist group attacked the law enforcement forces checkpoint at Nimrah using a variety of weapons (rifles, machine guns and rocket-propelled grenades). The members of the checkpoint put up resistance and violent skirmishes lasted until 0400 hours. Ahmad Fayez of the law enforcement forces suffered a bullet wound.

108. The body of a man was found to the east of the city of Binnish in the district of Wadi 'Anbar. It appears to have been that of Nidhal Darwish al-Fadhil (born 1976), shot by unknown persons. His Suzuki vehicle, registration No. 529693/Idlib, was beside him. Note that the aforementioned had previously been abducted by armed terrorist groups.

Dayr al-Zawr governorate

109. At 2150 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group shot and killed policeman Ibrahim Salih.

110. At 2200 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group abducted Lieutenant Mansour Muhammad Mirhaf al-Dali on the Dayr al-Zawr-Bukamal road.

111. At 0100 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on members of the Kharratah field guard post, wounding 2nd Lieutenant Muhammad al-Khani.

112. At 0100 hours, an armed terrorist group set up a roadblock at the village of Tayanah on the Dayr al-Zawr-Bukamal road, checking the identity of passers-by. Policeman Imad al-Hamad was abducted.

113. At 0200 hours, in the village of Marat in the subdistrict of Khisham, an armed terrorist group broke into the MB Company and the Sahara Petroleum Services Company (SAPESCO), ransacked them both and stole a Mitsubishi vehicle, registration No. 992259.

114. At 0730 hours, an armed terrorist group seized a Fiat gas tanker, registration No. 969278, belonging to SADCOP, on the road between the Umar field and the irrigation canal in Busayrah.

115. At 0830 hours, in the village of Islah al-Bulayl, in Mayadin, an armed terrorist group seized two Government vehicles, the first a Mitsubishi, registration No. 966850, belonging to the cereals establishment and the second a Toyota, registration No. 966173, belonging to the health department.

116. At 1100 hours, in the city of Dayr al-Zawr, an armed terrorist group struck Amin Haddad on the neck with a sharp instrument, killing him.

117. At 1200 hours, an armed terrorist group attempted to plant an explosive device in the vehicle of Amir Dhiyab.

Raqqah governorate

118. At 0300 hours, an armed terrorist group opened fire on the border guard post of Bahrah Gharbi, near the Ba'ath dam.

Suwayda governorate

119. At 0700 hours, an armed terrorist group detonated a 2-kilogram explosive device near the Political Security Directorate building in Suwayda. They planted another explosive device near the building and Colonel Muhammad Zaydan was injured when he attempted to defuse it.

Syrian-Turkish border

120. At 2230 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group attempting to infiltrate Syrian territory from Turkish territory in the Jisr al-Shughur district opened fire on members of the border guard.

Syrian-Lebanese border

121. At 2200 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group attempted to infiltrate Syrian territory from Lebanese territory in the 'Asal al-Ward district.

Syrian-Iraqi border

122. At 2200 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group attempting to infiltrate Syrian territory from Iraqi territory in the sector of guard post No. 129 (Ghassan), in the Rabi'ah district, opened fire on members of the border guard, wounding one.

123. At 2300 hours on 21 May 2012, an armed terrorist group attempted to infiltrate Syrian territory from Iraqi territory in the Tall 'Adas district.

124. At 1400 hours, an armed terrorist group attempted to infiltrate Syrian territory from Iraqi territory in Bukamal, in the sector of guard post no. 156, with the aim of smuggling weapons.

Syrian-Jordanian border

125. At 0200 hours, an armed terrorist group attempted to infiltrate Syrian territory from Jordanian territory in the Dayr al-Nasrani district.

Number of attacks and violations committed by armed terrorist groups on 22 May 2012

1		2		3		4		5		
Killed		*Wounded*		*Abducted*		*Firing of weapons and attacks against*		*Explosive devices*		
Civilians	*Law enforcement officers*	*Civilians*	*Law enforcement officers*	*Civilians*	*Law enforcement officers*	*Civilians*	*Law enforcement officers*	*Exploded*	*Defused*	*Exploded in manufacturing*
12	22	17	94	12	14	17	58	17	11	

6		7
Attempted infiltration by armed persons and smuggling of weapons		
Infiltration	*Smuggling*	*Unidentified bodies discovered*
6	1	3